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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, RP  
SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE INSURGENCY

1. FROM OTHER REPORTING, IT WILL BE OBSERVED THAT MARCOS HAS MOVED AWAY FROM PROSPECT OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NUR MISUARI AND MNLF. HIS THEATRICALS OF PROPOSED APRIL 17 MEETING WITH MUSLIM LEADERS IN ZAMBOANGA HAVE A HOLLOW RING, AND ONLY EXPLANATION HE HAS GIVEN ME IS THAT MNLF LEADERSHIP "IN THE FIELD" IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN MISUARI.

2. AT SAME TIME, IT APPEARS THAT MARCOS IS ENGAGED IN SOME MANEUVERS INVOLVING SABAH. HE TOLD ME MARCH 25 THAT TUN MUSTAPHA HAS BEEN TRYING TO MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH GOVERNMENT OF PHILIPPINES. AT SAME TIME, HE SAID SOMEWHAT CRYPTICALLY THAT SABAH GOVERNMENT SEEMED FAR FROM MONOLOTHIC. HE IMPLIED THAT SOME SABAH DISSIDENTS (FROM WITHIN MUSTAPHA'S OWN GROUP) HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH GOP, BUT HE WAS RATHER VAGUE IN DEFINING NATURE OF CONTACT, AND  
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I REFRAINED FROM PRESSING FURTHER.

3. IT IS NOT CLEAR TO ME WHERE THE PHILIPPINE NEGOTIATING  
TRACK IS LEADING, NOW THAT THE JIDDA TALKS HAVE FIZZLED OUT.  
IN FACT, I AM NOT SURE MARCOS HAS FIGURED OUT AS YET WHERE  
IT IS HE WANTS TO GO AFTER HE GETS BY THE OBSTACLES HE  
SEES IN THE FORTHCOMING CAIRO ISLAMIC CONFERENCE.  
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